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MEETINGS.  
MASONIC NOTICE.—The members of the RICHMOND LODGE, No. 10, are requested to attend a stated communication at the Mason's Hall, on Franklin street, at 8 o'clock, on Wednesday, March 6th, at 8 o'clock. The members of sister lodges and all transient brethren in good standing are invited to attend. By order of the Lodge, JAMES E. RUDOLPH, Secretary.

MARCH 6TH, A. D. 1877. mh 6-11

CATHOLIC BENEFICIAL SOCIETY.  
SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING.—Every member is particularly requested to attend this EVENING promptly at half past 7 o'clock for the election of officers and the transaction of important business. By order of the Society, JOSEPH W. LAUBE, Secretary.

AMUSEMENTS.  
RICHMOND THEATRE.  
CHARLES H. DUPREZ, MANAGER.  
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY EVENINGS, MARCH 8TH AND 9TH.

STILL ON THE MARCH OF TRIUMPH.  
DUPREZ & BENEDICT'S  
GIGANTIC FAMOUS MINSTRELS, BURLESQUE OPERA TROUPE, AND THE LATEST AND MOST SENSATIONAL FIFTH ANNUAL TOUR.

Our Centennial Brilliant Organization, composed of our most popular and distinguished artists, of various nationalities, forming a strong corps of vocalists, comedians, solo musicians, Ethiopian delineators, artistic dancers, and female personators, introducing a variety of merit and brilliancy.

Admission, 50c, 75c, and 25c. No extra charge for reserved seats, for sale at Johnson's music-store, 918 Main street. mh 6-11

RICHMOND THEATRE.  
Last night but one of the beautiful KATE CLAXTON, and last night of her wonderful impersonation of LOUISE THE BLIND GIRL—her original position at the University Theatre, New York, in the "Two Orphans."

TO-MORROW EVENING, when she will appear in her exquisite Union-square success, entitled "CONSCIENCE," and which will be presented in public to be one of the finest dramatic triumphs of modern times.

Secured seats, \$1, at C. F. Johnson's music-store, 918 Main street. Admission, 25c, 50c, and 75c. mh 6-11

FEAST.  
LADIES' FEAST AT TRINITY CHURCH, commencing TUESDAY NIGHT, March 6, 1877. The ladies invite their friends and the public generally to this feast, which will be held at the residence of the hostess, Mrs. J. W. Laube, 918 Main street, on Tuesday evening, March 6th, at 7 o'clock.

DRY GOODS.  
SEEKING IS BELIEVING.—4-4 good BLEACH, 7c; best, 8c; 6-4, 10c; 8-4, 12c; 10-4, 14c; 12-4, 16c; 14-4, 18c; 16-4, 20c; 18-4, 22c; 20-4, 24c; 22-4, 26c; 24-4, 28c; 26-4, 30c; 28-4, 32c; 30-4, 34c; 32-4, 36c; 34-4, 38c; 36-4, 40c; 38-4, 42c; 40-4, 44c; 42-4, 46c; 44-4, 48c; 46-4, 50c; 48-4, 52c; 50-4, 54c; 52-4, 56c; 54-4, 58c; 56-4, 60c; 58-4, 62c; 60-4, 64c; 62-4, 66c; 64-4, 68c; 66-4, 70c; 68-4, 72c; 70-4, 74c; 72-4, 76c; 74-4, 78c; 76-4, 80c; 78-4, 82c; 80-4, 84c; 82-4, 86c; 84-4, 88c; 86-4, 90c; 88-4, 92c; 90-4, 94c; 92-4, 96c; 94-4, 98c; 96-4, 100c.

EVERYBODY SHOULD GO WHERE THEY CAN BUY THE CHEAPEST GOODS. NOW IS YOUR CHANCE AT SYLVE BROTHERS.

They will remove to No. 319 Broad street on the 1st of May, and will offer GREAT BARGAINS until that time. BLACK ALPACAS, CACHEMIRES, DOMESTICS, CRAPES, CLOTHS, HERRETS, TANNERS, the cheapest in the city; 20 pieces BLACK SILK from \$1.20 to \$3 per yard; 100 yards SPRING DRESS GOODS; 5,000 yards more remnants of IRISH LINEN at 50c—guarantee worth \$1 per yard; 1,000 CORSETS from 50c to \$3 per pair; The largest assortment of CAMBRIC EDGINGS from 5c to 50c per yard; COTTON TRIMMINGS in endless variety; LACE RUFFLES, LACE BIBBS, LACE COLLARS—the latest styles; We open new goods daily. It will pay you to look at our stock before purchasing elsewhere.

SYLVE BROTHERS, 429 Broad street. mh 1

AT COST! AT COST!  
Having determined to discontinue the dry-goods business, I shall from this day offer my entire stock of SEASONABLE AND WELL-ASSORTED GOODS AT COST FOR CASH.

And in order more readily to dispose of the entire stock, there are many GOODS which will be sold WITHOUT REGARD TO COST OR VALUE, as the store will be vacated as soon as another tenant can be had.

CHARLES HUTZLER, 611 Broad street. fe 23-24

CARRIAGES, WAGONS, CABS, &c.  
FOR SALE, A LARGE LOT of OPEN- AND TOP-BUGGIES, CARRIAGES AND PLEASURE WAGONS, direct from the makers, at prices to suit the times, may be seen at J. MORRISON'S stable, Franklin street near Governor.

CART FOR SALE.—ENG-CLISH made, and very substantially constructed. Has been little used, and will be sold cheap. J. F. BURROUGHS, corner Seventh and Main streets. mh 5-21

GREAT REDUCTION IN PRICES AT A. L. LIPSCOMB'S. No. 116 (CAMP STREET) RICHMOND, VA. In consequence of the hard times and competition I am determined to sell my stock at lower prices than ever, and to those who need anything in my line will come and examine my stock. I promise to make prices as low as possible. I have a large stock of HATS, DRESS, FARM, WAGONS, and FARM CARRIAGES, and will sell at a low price. OLD WORK taken in exchange. fe 2-20

TOBACCO, CIGARS, &c.  
The subscribers have made arrangements for the exclusive sale of the celebrated WINDMILL CIGARS, and celebrated brand, manufactured in New York, and invite the attention of the public to the full assortment of all the above, which are now prepared to offer.

Branch in Key West, and is using the same class of Vuelta Alajo tobacco as in the Havana factory, the pure quality of the tobacco being of the highest quality. The prices are unusually low, and the quality is of the highest quality. The subscribers have made arrangements for the exclusive sale of the celebrated WINDMILL CIGARS, and celebrated brand, manufactured in New York, and invite the attention of the public to the full assortment of all the above, which are now prepared to offer.

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Richmond Dispatch.

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 1877.

THE CIRCULATION OF THE DISPATCH IS LARGER THAN THE COMBINED CIRCULATION OF ALL THE OTHER DAILY NEWSPAPERS OF THE CITY.

WEATHER REPORT.  
INDICATIONS FOR TO-DAY.—For the South Atlantic States, rising barometer, northwest winds, and cooler, partly cloudy weather will prevail.

For the Gulf States, rising or stationary barometer and clear weather, with cooler northerly winds, shifting to warmer southerly in the interior.

For Tennessee and the Ohio Valley, northwest backing to warmer and westerly, with stationary, higher temperature, and clear or hazy weather.

For the Middle States, stationary or falling barometer, south and west winds, and partly cloudy weather.

Cautionary signals continue on the North Carolina coast.

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY WAS FAW, cloudy, and disagreeable.

Thermometer yesterday: 6 A. M., 36; 9 A. M., 41; noon, 46; 3 P. M., 48; 6 P. M., 43; midnight, 39.

LOCAL MATTERS.

CHURCH NOTES.—At the Monumental church on Sunday there was a very large communion, at which Rev. Mr. Weaver assisted the pastor.

At the Grace-Street Baptist church one person was baptized by the pastor after preaching at the church.

At Sidney Baptist two persons were received for baptism during the morning service. The meetings at this church will be continued every evening this week. Much interest was developed during the last week.

At Pine-Street church one person was received into the fellowship of the church at communion.

At Leigh-Street church the pastor gave the right-hand of fellowship to four persons at the communion, after preaching in the morning.

At Trinity Methodist Rev. W. E. Jenkins, pastor, preached at 11 A. M. a sermon suited to the communion service from Titus, 2d chapter, 14th verse: "Who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity, to himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works." After the sermon the communion service was administered and thirteen members received into the church. Special services were held at night for the benefit of the young people of the congregation. Mr. Jenkins preached from Luke, 12th chapter, 1st verse: "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth." Topic: "A Plea for Early Piety." The attendance of young persons was quite large, and the services very interesting. The speaker urged the plea by four arguments: 1. Moral condition of the world; 2. Christian duty; 3. The uncertainty of life; 4. Unsatisfied old age is full of evil and destitute of all pleasure. His remarks were illustrated and enforced by the inimitable allegory of Solomon contained in the text.

At Oregon Methodist Episcopal church Rev. Dr. Bennett preached an able sermon in the morning. At night the pastor preached, there were eight accessions to the church, six on profession of faith and two by certificate. The meeting will continue all the week.

REV. J. WILLIAM JONES'S RESIDENCE BURNED.—On Sunday night the policeman on duty in the western part of the city, while standing at the corner of Belvidere and Main streets, heard a loud cry which he took to be "Murder." Upon going to Grace street, however, he discovered that the three-story brick residence of Rev. J. William Jones, D. D., situated at the corner of Grace and Shafer streets, was on fire, and that the cries originated from the ladies and children who were escaping from the flames. The officer had now to retrace his steps to Fire-Station 16, at the corner of Pine and Main streets, from which an alarm was given, and with remarkable promptitude the firemen responded, attached their hose, and with speedily at work. They arrived in the very nick of time, for had they been two or three minutes later, the residence would have been destroyed.

Dr. Jones was absent. He had, according to custom, gone to Ashland on Saturday night to preach Sunday, and knew nothing of the fire until he reached the city yesterday morning. Mrs. Jones, her sister, five children, and two young ladies were in the house, and barely escaped. Indeed, they ran out of the house in their night-clothes, leaving all of their effects in the burning building.

The fire originated, it is supposed, in the kitchen from an oil lamp which had been placed upon a table near the framed studding, which became ignited, and the flames spread upwards with alarming rapidity, setting fire to the doors, rear stairway, &c.

The entire upper portion of the house, including the roof, was consumed, and the lower portion, which was saved, Dr. Jones's loss will be about \$1,500; upon which he has no insurance.

The dwelling is owned by Mrs. D. T. Williams, the loss upon which is about \$2,000; insured for \$2,500 with John H. Mainline & Co., of New York.

Dr. Barney speaks very highly of the conduct of the firemen, their promptness, &c., and says he did not see Company B's house would probably have been burned.

DEATH OF A CANADIAN AT FORD'S HOTEL.—Sunday morning, at 10:30 o'clock, Mr. John Laughton, of Toronto, Canada, died at Ford's Hotel. He has been in the city several months, but sick nearly all the time. During Sunday night, in a conversation with Rev. Dr. Edwards and Dr. Steel, he told them where he came from, and that he was a member of Rev. John Potts's church in Toronto. Sunday morning, Mr. Thomas Potts telegraphed his brother, asking for instructions from Mr. Laughton's family. Dr. Coakley, Mr. Ford, and several guests of the hotel paid the sick man every mark of attention and affection. His remains were laid yesterday in Oakwood, awaiting the desire of his friends.

THE OLD BLUES.—A meeting of the R. L. Blues Association was held at the Virginia Opera-House last night. A letter from the association, of Toronto, Canada, was read, and the position of first lieutenant, on account of business engagements, was received and read. On motion a special committee was appointed to present the names of suitable persons for election to fill the positions of first and second lieutenants. The following were nominated: Officers were chosen: First Sergeant, T. Ritchie Glazebrook; Second Sergeant, Tate Starke; Third Sergeant, Neil McCool; Fourth Sergeant, W. S. Dashiell; Fifth Sergeant, F. B. Benedict; Quartermaster-Sergeant, Henry Moore; Ensign, George W. Epps; First Corporal, M. Norvell; Second Corporal, T. N. Page; Third Corporal, John Moore; Fourth Corporal, M. S. Blount.

THE CANAL.—THE HOUSE IN FAVOR OF A LEASE.—The Senate, at the beginning of the present session, or soon thereafter, passed a bill in favor of leasing the canal between Buchanan and Clifton Forge by rail connection. The House yesterday adopted as a substitute for the Senate bill the proposition of Messrs. Mason, Randolph, and Shanahan to lease the canal and to extend it to Clifton Forge, with the help of coal, viol labor.

THE COMMON COUNCIL.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LIGHT—WHAT IT HAS COST THE CITY TO LIGHT THE PUBLIC BUILDINGS, &c.—FRAMED BUILDINGS—PRINTING-BILLS TO BE PAID—CEMETERY MATTERS—POWER OF THE MAYOR TO SUSPEND A CITY EMPLOYEE—RESIGNATION OF MR. WINGFIELD, OF JACKSON WARD—LOCATION OF THE CENTRAL LUNATIC ASYLUM—BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS—OTHER BUSINESS.

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Common Council was held in the Council-chamber yesterday afternoon—President Anderson in the chair. Present at roll-call: Messrs. Babcock, Curtis, Davis, Ellett, Foster, Gregory, Hargrove, Hayes, Higgins, Lauer, Manson, Starke, Straus, Talbott, Taylor, and Wood.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LIGHT.—Mr. Higgins, from the Committee on Light, submitted his annual report, which was received and directed to be printed with the report of the street-lamp committee.

The report shows a falling off of \$25,000 in the receipts from private consumers, which is attributed to the reduction in the price of gas, while there has been a steady improvement in the lighting capacity. Including the public consumption, the balance-sheet of the works shows a credit to the city on the year's transactions of \$90,309.72, being only \$6,120 less than the profit of the preceding year. Notwithstanding these favorable figures, the report shows that while using 237,000 pounds less of coal this year than last, the works have produced 2,500,000 more cubic feet of gas. By economy in the purchase and use of coal the running-expense account was reduced nearly \$6,000.

The committee recommend the adoption of some means of checking the great and growing waste of public consumption. The report shows that the city consumes the city \$27.00 per annum each; the consumption at the city almshouse, which was so excessive last year as to cause a severe criticism from the Mayor, is this year 46,000 cubic feet of gas, or 100,000 cubic feet, nearly 100,000 feet; the Fire Department, Water-Works office, and Third station-house, which in 1875 consumed 453,700 feet, last year consumed 800,000 feet (an increase of 341,300 feet). The cost of the total public consumption is reported at \$90,309.72.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on Water, presented an ordinance to amend the ordinance concerning the Water-Works, which was laid on the table until the next meeting.

FRAMED BUILDINGS.—Mr. King, from the Committee on Fire Department, presented a joint resolution, giving permission to the following persons to erect framed buildings in the city: Martin Oeters, to raise roof of his wagon-shed, at Westham House; Henry Lohmeyer, addition to his tenement, No. 1717 Broad street; P. E. Gentry, dwelling with tin-roof, Union street, between Maple and Jay streets; G. W. Lowry, open-shed stable, at 804 West Broad street; B. W. Bennett, shed, corner of Graham and Broad streets; J. N. Eubank, dwelling, on the south side of Broad between Fifteenth and Seventeenth streets; E. R. Isbell, cow-shed, No. 601 Catharine street; J. Gordon, addition to shed, corner of Twenty-third and Venable streets; William Krause & Co., roof on brick walls and frame side, at 404 Broad street; Whitaker & Roane, kitchen, No. 225 Twenty-fifth street.

The committee also recommended the adoption of a resolution rejecting the petition of Gilbert Hunt to move frame shop from the corner of Fourth and Leigh streets to the corner of Third and Leigh.

Both resolutions were agreed to.

ACCOUNTS AND PRINTING.—Mr. Gregory, from the Committee on Accounts and Printing, presented a joint resolution for the payment of \$130.90 for printing and advertising; which was agreed to—aye, 23; noes, none.

CEMETERIES.—Mr. Hayes, from the Committee on Cemeteries, presented the annual report of the Superintendent of Shockoe Hill Cemetery, and a report on rebuilding the tomb-house at Shockoe Hill cemetery, &c. Laid on the table.

The committee also presented a resolution instructing the Committee on Grounds and Buildings to report a suitable lot and cost therefor for the interment of the colored poor of the city. Agreed to.

Also, a resolution of the Keeper of Oakwood Cemetery, and a resolution paying the Keeper \$470.11 for supplies, &c., furnished the cemetery hands for the past year. Agreed to.

THE POWER OF THE MAYOR TO SUSPEND CITY EMPLOYEES.—The Chair laid before the Council a communication from the City Attorney expressing the opinion that the Mayor has not the power to suspend city employees.

On motion of Mr. Gregory, a report of the Mayor relative to the suspension of Jeremiah Aher, engineer at the almshouse, was committed to the Committee on Relief of the Poor.

CLAIMS PAID.—Mr. Pulliam, from the Committee on Accounts and Printing, presented a resolution for the payment of J. W. Randolph & English and others. Agreed to.

RESIGNATION OF A MEMBER.—The Chair laid before the Council the resignation of Mr. J. F. Wingfield, a member of the Council from Jackson Ward; which was accepted.

FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.—Common Council joint resolution, with an amendment, in relation to the city address. Board joint resolution donating \$6,000 in six per cent. bonds for the purchase of a site in whole or in part for the Central Lunatic Asylum. Laid on the table.

Mr. Christian presented a joint resolution for the appointment of a committee of three from the Board of Aldermen and five from the Common Council to confer with the commission of the General Assembly on the location of the Central Lunatic Asylum; and that the said committee be authorized to purchase such site for the location of said asylum as may be approved by the commission.

General B. T. Johnson was permitted to address the Council on the subject. He thought it would be wise to appoint such a committee and give them unlimited powers to buy a site.

Mr. Johnson was in favor of appropriating a reasonable sum, but was opposed to giving the committee unlimited power in the matter.

Mr. Talbott said that General Johnson had somewhat staggered him. He was unwilling to pass a resolution of this kind if the Legislature didn't have the money or didn't intend to build the asylum for several years. He was in favor of making a moderate appropriation.

General Johnson explained that it was intended only to buy this site when the State was ready to build, and to give only a fair price for it.

Mr. Christian being in the chair, the City Attorney moved to amend the resolution.

Mr. Davis thought the Council was treading on dangerous ground. He was opposed to the resolution.

Mr. Taylor spoke of the commercial advantage to the city in having the asylum located in the city, and the City Attorney moved to amend the resolution.

Mr. Pulliam said the Council would trans-

Richmond and the Presidency.

THE INAUGURATION OF HAYES—RICHMOND PEOPLE NOT ANXIOUS TO WITNESS THE CEREMONY—THE "DISPATCH" EXTRA—THE INAUGURAL CRITICIZED—GENERAL JOHNSON.

Richmond was represented in the inauguration of Hayes by a very small percentage of her population, notwithstanding the Fredericksburg and the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Companies advertised excursion trains, low rates, quick transit, and all the comforts of first-class routes. The former company provided special train of twelve or thirteen coaches, but Sunday night at the time appointed for starting there were so few persons present to go the project was then and there abandoned. Those who had purchased tickets were sent forward on the regular passenger train, the Chesapeake and Ohio Company carried thirty-four persons.

The whites felt little or no personal interest in Hayes. It mattered not to them that there was to be a grand parade, and display of military and big crowds, and all the bustle and brass of a big "do." They had no heart for the pageant. Since the blacks were invited to vote the Republican ticket in November, Hayes's friends hadn't bothered them, and they had pretty well lost sight of the existence of that gentleman, and so stayed at home and saved their money.

ANOTHER VIEW.—If Tilden had been the successful man, there would not have been coaches enough about here to transport the people who would have desired to attend his inauguration. A party was prepared to offer the Fredericksburg company \$500 cash down for an excursion train, and when it seemed likely that Tilden would be victorious, the plan proposed is the same in substance as that published in the Dispatch a few days ago. The Board, under the proposed amendment, will consist of the "Mayor and six private citizens—one from each of the six wards of the city."

Mr. Christian addressed the Council in advocacy of the proposed amendment. Mr. Straus opposed it on the ground that the Board of Aldermen had the matter under consideration. He therefore moved that the ordinance be tabled. Lost.

Mr. Manson moved to postpone until the next meeting of the body. Lost.

Mr. Whitlock spoke against the proposed amendment.

Mr. Pulliam spoke in favor of the plan. Mr. Babcock favored the resolution in connection with the election of the electors by the judges. He moved to strike out the three judges and insert Board of Trade.

The motion to strike out the three judges was lost.

The resolution was then adopted—aye, 20; noes, 6.

Messrs. L. D. Crenshaw, Jr., Franklin Stearns, and E. O. Nolting, were appointed on the Board of Public Interest from the citizens of Richmond.

Adjourned.

HUSTINGS COURT PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRAND JURY YESTERDAY.—The grand jury of the Hustings Court met yesterday, and found true bills for felony in the following cases: John Banks alias John Henderson (colored), for breaking and entering the hen-house of Jesse Gibson and stealing chickens, &c.; John Banks alias John Henderson, for breaking into the hen-house of Randolph Ford; George Plantz, for breaking into the smoke-house of James C. Hardee; Isaiah Wade, for seduction; Del Johnson, for breaking and entering the house